# Spin transport in topological insulators

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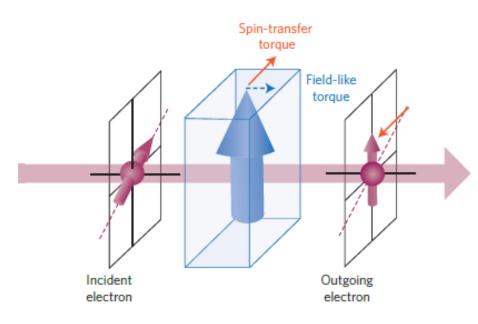
#### Outline

Introduction to spin current and spin transfer torques

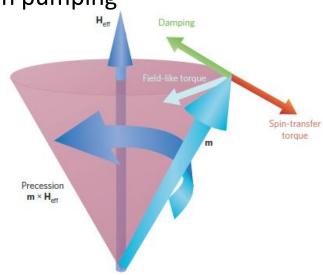
- Measuring spin Hall angle and IEE length
- Spin pumping
- Spin-torque ferromagnetic resonance (ST-FMR)
- Modulation of magnetization damping (MOD)

Spin transport in Tls: paper review

#### Spin transfer torques



Ferromagnetic resonance (FMR)
Spin pumping



A. Brataas, et al., Nat. Mater. **11**, 372 (2012)

LLG equation with torque terms:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial t} = -y\mathbf{m} \times H_{eff} + \alpha \mathbf{m} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{\tau}$$

Damp-like torque:

$$-\frac{\gamma\hbar}{2eM_sV}\mathbf{m}\times(\mathbf{m}\times I_s)$$

Field-like torque:

$$-\frac{\gamma\hbar}{2eM_sV}\mathbf{m}\times I_s$$

#### Spin current

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{v} \otimes \mathbf{s}$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \operatorname{Im} (\psi^* \mathbf{\sigma} \otimes \nabla \psi)$$

For a spinor plane-wave wavefunction in x direction:

$$\psi = \frac{e^{ikx}}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \operatorname{Im}(a|\uparrow\rangle + b|\downarrow\rangle)$$

$$Q_{xx} = \frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} 2\operatorname{Re}(ab^*)$$

$$Q_{xy} = \frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} 2\operatorname{Im}(ab^*)$$

$$Q_{xz} = \frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} 2 \operatorname{Re}(|a|^2 - |b|^2)$$

Conservation of angular momentum Spin transfer torque:

$$\mathbf{N}_{st} = -\int_{pillbox} d^2 R \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{Q}$$
$$= -\int_{pillbox} d^3 r \nabla \cdot \mathbf{Q}$$

D. C. Ralph, J. Magn. Magn. Mat. 320, 1190 (2012)

$$\psi_{in} = \frac{e^{ikx}}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \left( \cos(\theta/2) |\uparrow\rangle + \sin(\theta/2) |\downarrow\rangle \right)$$

$$\psi_{trans} = \frac{e^{ikx}}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \left( t_{\uparrow} \cos(\theta/2) |\uparrow\rangle + t_{\downarrow} \sin(\theta/2) |\downarrow\rangle \right)$$

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$$\psi_{refl} = \frac{e^{-ikx}}{\sqrt{\Omega}} \left( r_{\uparrow} \cos(\theta/2) | \uparrow \rangle + r_{\downarrow} \sin(\theta/2) | \downarrow \rangle \right)$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{in} = \frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} \left[ \sin(\theta) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \cos(\theta) \hat{\mathbf{z}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{trans} = \frac{\hbar^{2}k}{2m\Omega} \sin(\theta) \operatorname{Re}(t_{\uparrow}t_{\downarrow}^{*}) \hat{\mathbf{x}} + \frac{\hbar^{2}k}{2m\Omega} \sin(\theta) \operatorname{Im}(t_{\uparrow}t_{\downarrow}^{*}) \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$
$$+ \frac{\hbar^{2}k}{2m\Omega} (|t_{\uparrow}|^{2} \cos^{2}(\theta/2) - |t_{\downarrow}|^{2} \sin^{2}(\theta/2)) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{refl} = -\frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} \sin(\theta) \operatorname{Re}\left(r_{\uparrow} r_{\downarrow}^*\right) \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} \sin(\theta) \operatorname{Im}\left(r_{\uparrow} r_{\downarrow}^*\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$
$$-\frac{\hbar^2 k}{2m\Omega} \left( \left|r_{\uparrow}\right|^2 \cos^2\left(\theta/2\right) - \left|r_{\downarrow}\right|^2 \sin^2\left(\theta/2\right) \right) \hat{\mathbf{z}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
M \\
\downarrow \hat{y} \\
\uparrow \hat{x}
\end{array}$$

$$\xrightarrow{t_{\dagger}, t_{\dagger}} \hat{x}$$

$$\mathbf{N}_{st} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \left(\mathbf{Q}_{in} + \mathbf{Q}_{refl} - \mathbf{Q}_{trans}\right)$$

$$= \frac{A\hbar^{2}k}{2m\Omega} \sin\left(\theta\right) \left[1 - \operatorname{Re}\left(t_{\uparrow}t_{\downarrow}^{*} + r_{\uparrow}r_{\downarrow}^{*}\right)\right] \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$
Damp-like torque
$$-\frac{A\hbar^{2}k}{2m\Omega} \sin\left(\theta\right) \operatorname{Im}\left(t_{\uparrow}t_{\downarrow}^{*} + r_{\uparrow}r_{\downarrow}^{*}\right) \hat{\mathbf{y}}$$
Field-like torque

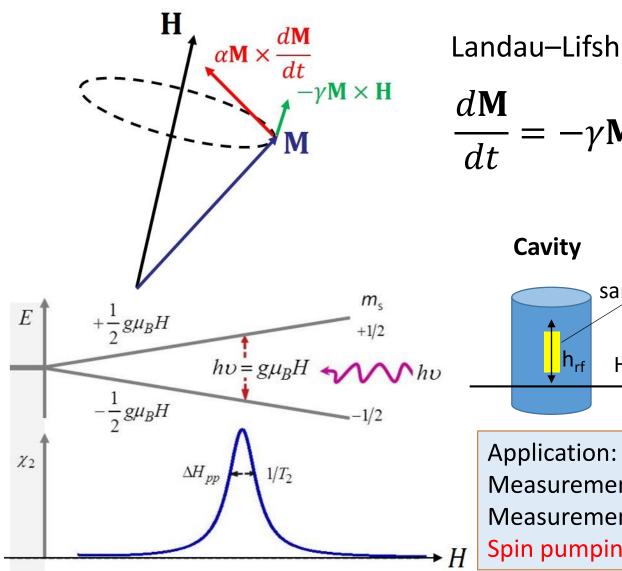
$$(\left|t_{\uparrow}\right|^{2} + \left|r_{\uparrow}\right|^{2} = 1$$

$$\left|t_{\downarrow}\right|^{2} + \left|r_{\downarrow}\right|^{2} = 1$$

Spin mixing conductance

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} G_{\uparrow \uparrow} & G_{\uparrow \downarrow} \\ G_{\downarrow \uparrow}^* & G_{\downarrow \downarrow} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(G_{\uparrow \downarrow}) >> \operatorname{Im}(G_{\uparrow \downarrow}) \text{ for metals}$$

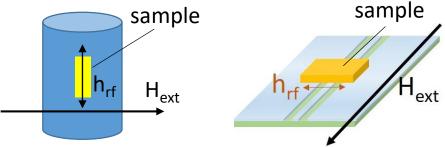
#### Ferromagnetic resonance (FMR)



Landau-Lifshitz-Gilbert equation

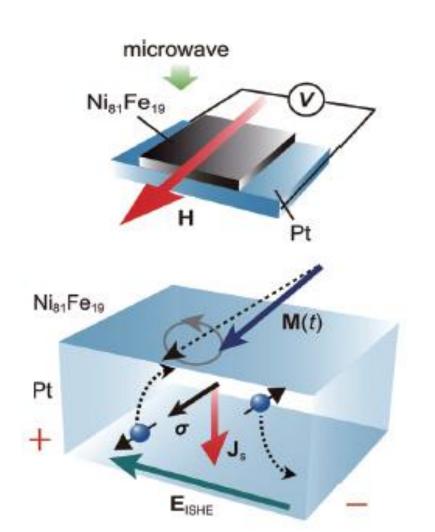
$$\frac{d\mathbf{M}}{dt} = -\gamma \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{H} + \alpha \mathbf{M} \times \frac{d\mathbf{M}}{dt}$$

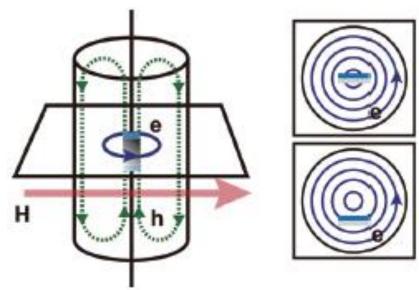




Measurement of magnetic anisotropy Measurement of damping constant  $\alpha$  Spin pumping

# Spin pumping





Spin current projected along H<sub>ext</sub>:

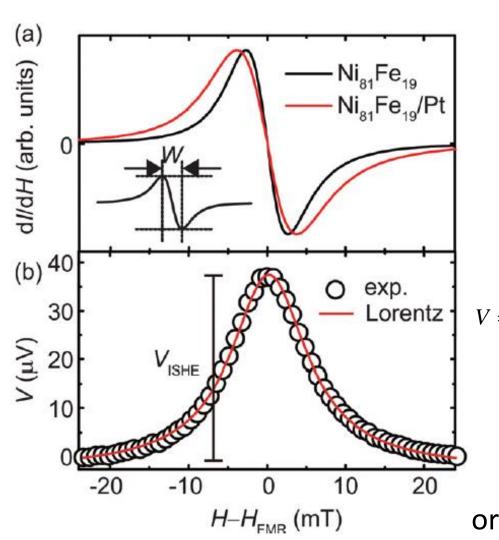
$$j_s = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi/\omega} \frac{\hbar}{4\pi} g_r^{\uparrow\downarrow} \frac{1}{M_s^2} \left[ \mathbf{M}(t) \times \frac{d\mathbf{M}(t)}{dt} \right]_z dt$$

 $V_{\rm ISHE} \propto \boldsymbol{J}_{\rm c} \propto \theta_{\rm SH} \boldsymbol{J}_{\rm s} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma} \propto \theta_{\rm SH} \boldsymbol{J}_{\rm s} \times \boldsymbol{M}$ 

 $\propto \theta_{\rm SH} \boldsymbol{J}_{\rm s} \times \boldsymbol{H} \propto \theta_{\rm SH} \sin \theta_{\rm H},$ 

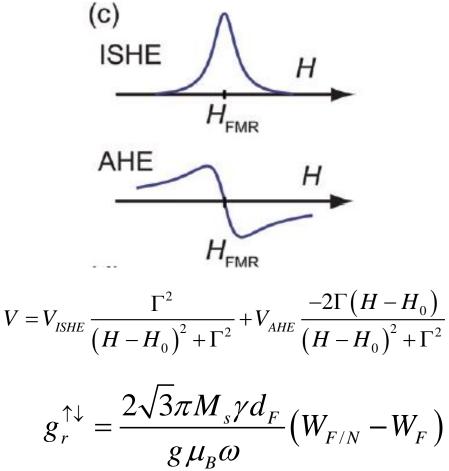
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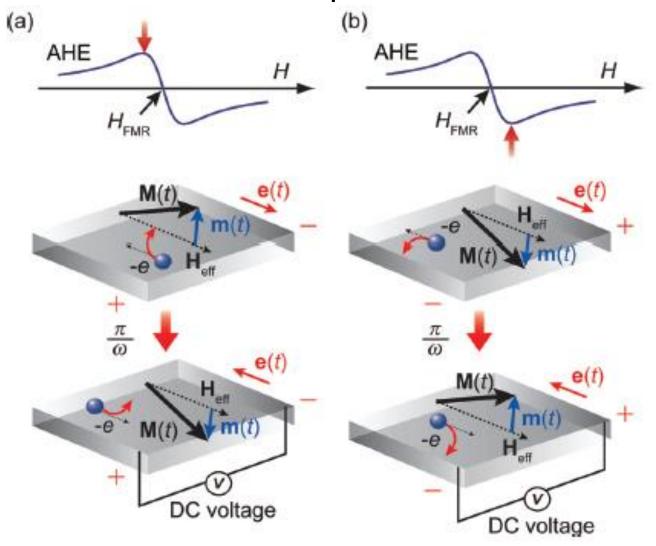
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$$g_r = \frac{1}{g\mu_B\omega}(w_{F/N} - w_F)$$
or  $g_r^{\uparrow\downarrow} = \frac{4\pi M_s d_F}{g\mu_B}(\alpha_{F/N} - \alpha_F)$ 

A phenomenological model

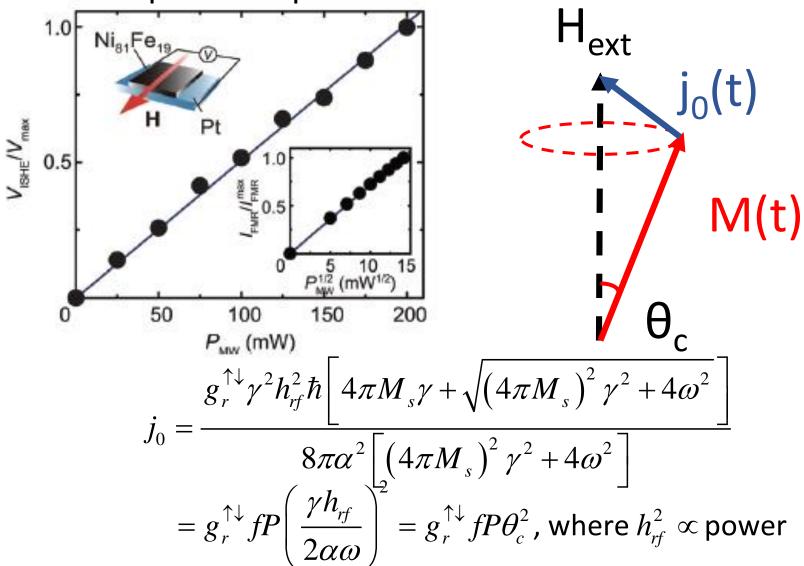
#### Antisymmetric lineshape from AHE or AMR



Phase shift between the microwave and magnetization determine the polarity.

# Small cone angle (linear) regime

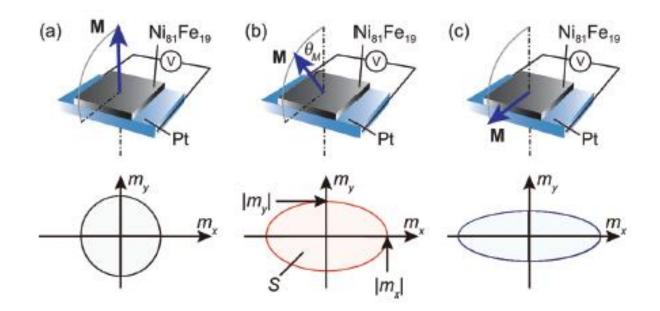
Linear power dependence



#### The P factor

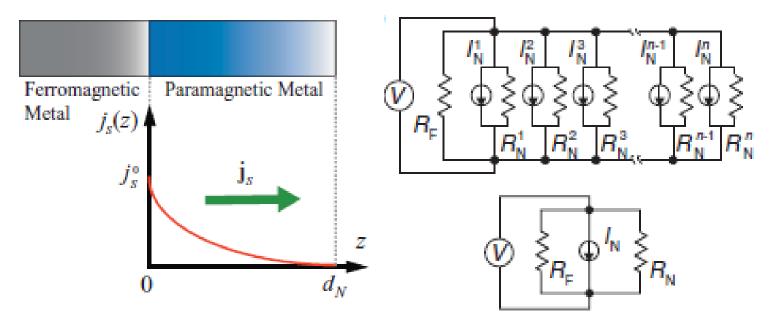
$$P = \frac{2\omega \left[ 4\pi M_{s} \gamma + \sqrt{(4\pi M_{s})^{2} \gamma^{2} + 4\omega^{2}} \right]}{(4\pi M_{s})^{2} \gamma^{2} + 4\omega^{2}}$$

can be viewed as a correction factor.



The pumped spin current is proportional to the trajectory area. Spin pumping is an adiabatic process. (think about the Carnot engine.)

### Spin distribution in normal metals

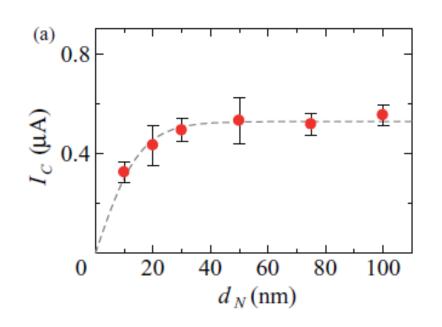


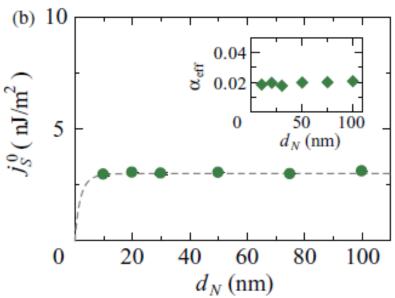
Spin Hall effect acts as a charge current source.

Solving the spin diffusion equation...

$$j_{s}(z) = \frac{\sinh\left[\left(d_{N}-z\right)/\lambda_{N}\right]}{\sinh\left(d_{N}/\lambda_{N}\right)} j_{s}^{0}$$

### Thickness dependence





Spin backflow depends on the spin diffusion length.

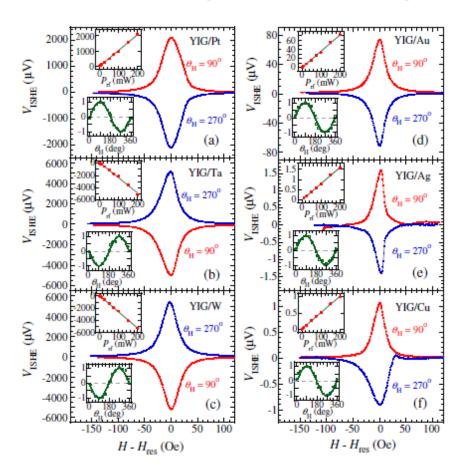
$$\langle j_c \rangle = \frac{1}{d_N} \int_0^{d_N} j_c(y) dy$$

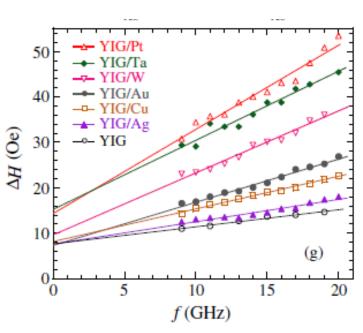
$$= \theta_{SH} \left( \frac{2e}{\hbar} \right) \frac{\lambda_N}{d_N} \tanh \left( \frac{d_N}{2\lambda_N} \right) j_s^0$$

Need to get the thickness dependence data to calculate the spin Hall angle

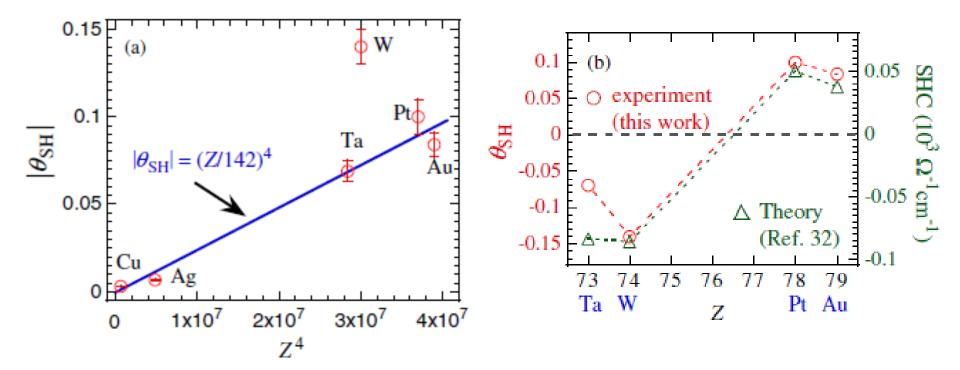
#### Scaling of Spin Hall Angle in 3d, 4d, and 5d Metals from Y<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>5</sub>O<sub>12</sub>/Metal Spin Pumping

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Bilayer	$V_{ m ISHE}$	$\Delta H$ change	$lpha_{ m sp}$	$\rho(\Omega m)$	$g_{\uparrow\downarrow}(\mathrm{m}^{-2})$	$\lambda_{SD}(nm)$	$ heta_{ ext{SH}}$	$J_s(A/m^2)$
YIG/Pt	2.10 mV	24.3 Oe			$(6.9 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{18}$	7.3	$0.10 \pm 0.01$	$(2.0 \pm 0.2) \times 10^7$
YIG/Ta	-5.10 mV	16.5 Oe	$(2.8 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-3}$	$2.9 \times 10^{-6}$	$(5.4 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{18}$	1.9	$-0.071 \pm 0.006$	$(1.6 \pm 0.2) \times 10^7$
YIG/W	-5.26 mV	12.3 Oe	$(2.4 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-3}$	$1.8 \times 10^{-6}$	$(4.5 \pm 0.4) \times 10^{18}$	2.1	$-0.14 \pm 0.01$	$(1.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^7$
YIG/Au	72.6 $\mu$ V	5.50 Oe	$(1.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-3}$	$4.9 \times 10^{-8}$	$(2.7 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{18}$	60	$0.084 \pm 0.007$	$(7.6 \pm 0.7) \times 10^6$
YIG/Ag	$1.49 \mu V$	1.30 Oe	$(2.7 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-4}$	$6.6 \times 10^{-8}$	$(5.2 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{17}$	700	$0.0068 \pm 0.0007$	$(1.5 \pm 0.1) \times 10^6$
YIG/Cu	$0.99 \mu V$	3.70 Oe	$(8.1 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-4}$	$6.3 \times 10^{-8}$	$(1.6 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{18}$	500	$0.0032 \pm 0.0003$	$(4.6 \pm 0.4) \times 10^6$



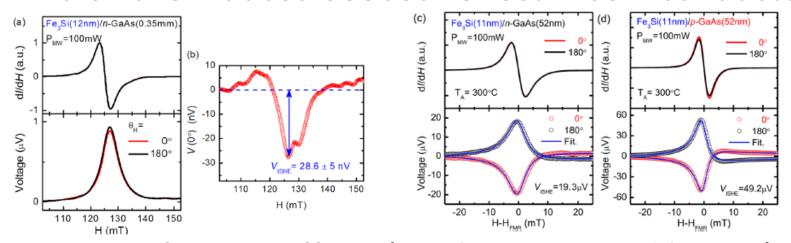
Spin Hall angles strongly depend on the d-electron count.

	T(K)	λ <sub>sd</sub> (nm)	σ <sub>NM</sub> (10 <sup>6</sup> S/m)	α <sub>SH</sub> (%)		T(K)	λ <sub>sd</sub> (nm)	$\sigma_{\rm NM} \; (10^6 \; {\rm S/m})$	α <sub>SH</sub> (%)
Al	4,2	$455 \pm 15$	10.5	$0.032 \pm 0.006$	Мо	10	10	3.03	-0.20
	4.2	$705 \pm 30$	17	$0.016 \pm 0.004$		10	10	0.667	-0.075
Au	295	$86 \pm 10$	37	11.3		10	$8.6 \pm 1.3$	2.8	$-(0.8 \pm 0.18)$
	295	83	37	3		295	$35 \pm 3^{*}$	4.66	$-(0.05 \pm 0.01)$
	4.5	65*	48.3	<2.3	Nb	10	$5.9 \pm 0.3$	1.1	$-(0.87 \pm 0.20)$
	295	36*	25.7	<2.7	Pd	10	$13 \pm 2$	2.2	$1.2 \pm 0.4$
	295	$35 \pm 4$	28	$7.0 \pm 0.1$	14	295	9*	1.97	1.0
	295	$27 \pm 3$	14	$7.0 \pm 0.3$		295	15 ± 4*	4.0	$0.64 \pm 0.10$
	295	$25 \pm 3$	14.5	$12 \pm 4$		295	$5.5 \pm 0.5$	5	$1.2 \pm 0.3$
	295	$50 \pm 8$	16.7	$0.8 \pm 0.2$		295	$2.0 \pm 0.1$	3.7	$0.8 \pm 0.20$
	<10	$40 \pm 16$	25	$1.4 \pm 0.4$	Pt	295		6.41	0.37
	295	$35 \pm 3^{*}$	25.2	$0.35 \pm 0.03$	rt	5	8	8.0	0.44
	295	35	20	$0.25 \pm 0.1$		295	7	5.56	0.9
	295	$35 \pm 3^*$	5.25	$1.6 \pm 0.1$		10	$11 \pm 2$	8.1	$2.1 \pm 0.5$
	295	$35 \pm 3*$	7	$0.335 \pm 0.006$		10	~10	8.1	2.4
	295	35*		$1.1 \pm 0.3$		295	7*	6.4	8.0
	295	60	20.4	$8.4 \pm 0.7$		295	$10 \pm 2^{*}$	2.4	$1.3 \pm 0.2$
AuW	295	1.9	1.75	>10		295	10*	2	4.0
Ag	295	700	15	$0.7 \pm 0.1$		295	$3.7 \pm 0.2$	2,42	$8 \pm 1$
			1.0			295	$8.3 \pm 0.9$	$4.3 \pm 0.2$	$1.2 \pm 0.2$
Bi	3	$0.3 \pm 0.1$	-	>0.3		295	$7.7 \pm 0.7$	$1.3 \pm 0.1$	$1.3 \pm 0.1$
	295	-	$2.4 \pm 0.3(I)$	$-(7.1 \pm 0.8)(I)$		295	$1.5 - 10^{\circ}$	$2.45 \pm 0.1$	3+4
			$50 \pm 12(V)$	$1.9 \pm 0.2(V)$		295	4	4	$2.7 \pm 0.5$
Cu	295	500	16	$0.32 \pm 0.03$		295	8 ± 1*	1.02	$2.012 \pm 0.003$
	10					295	1.3*	2,4	$2.1 \pm 1.5$
CuIr CuMp T	10	5-30		$2.1 \pm 0.6$		295	1.2		$8.6 \pm 0.5$
$CuMn_xT_y$				0.7(Ta); 2.6(Ir)		295 295	$1.4^{\circ}$ $3.4 \pm 0.4$	6.0	$12 \pm 4$ $5.6 \pm 0.1$
				1.35(Au); 1.15(Sb)		295	7.3	2.1	3.0 ± 0.1 10 ± 1
C.P.		100 20		-1.2(Lu)		295	$1.2 \pm 0.1$	3.6	2.2 ± 0.4

- 1. The larger spin Hall angles, the shorter spin diffusion lengths.
- 2. Depending on techniques, materials preparation and geometry, the calculated spin Hall angle can vary by 1 order of magnitude.
- 3. Rashba effect (broken inversion symmetry) at the interface adds complexity to analyses.

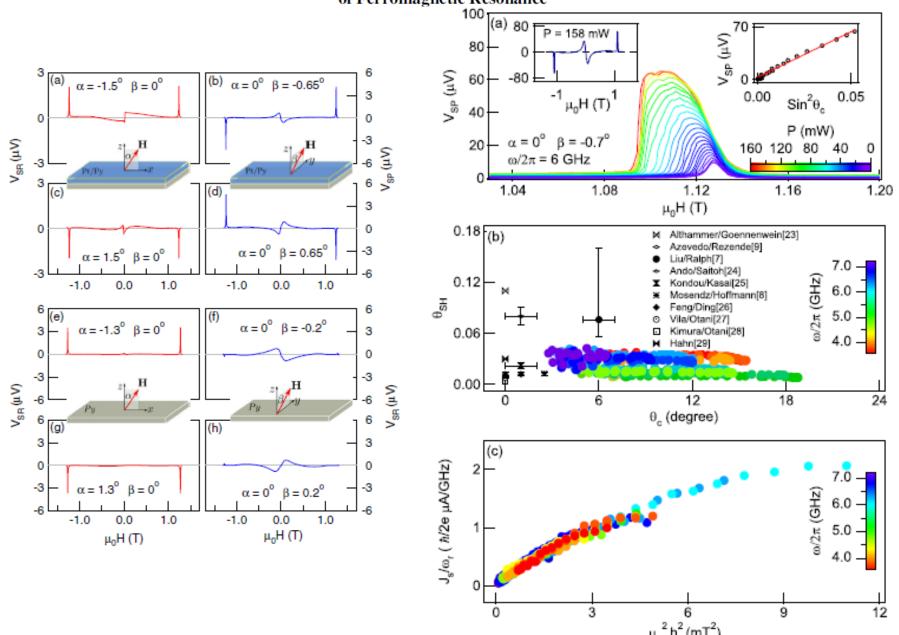
# Spurious effects

• Microwave induced Seebeck effect in semiconductor.



- Spin rectification effect. (can be prevented by YIG)
- the boundary conditions, phase shift between E and B field can strongly affect voltage signals.
- Self-induced ISHE and spin backflow. (can be prevented by YIG)

Universal Method for Separating Spin Pumping from Spin Rectification Voltage of Ferromagnetic Resonance



#### Spin-torque ferromagnetic resonance (ST-FMR)

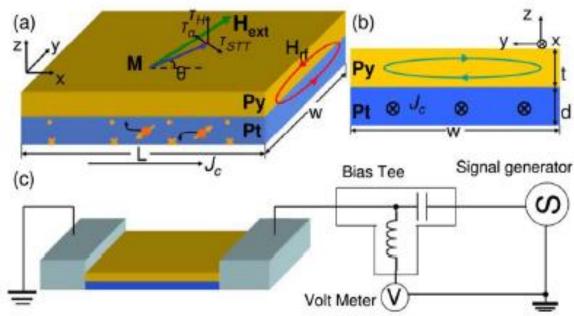
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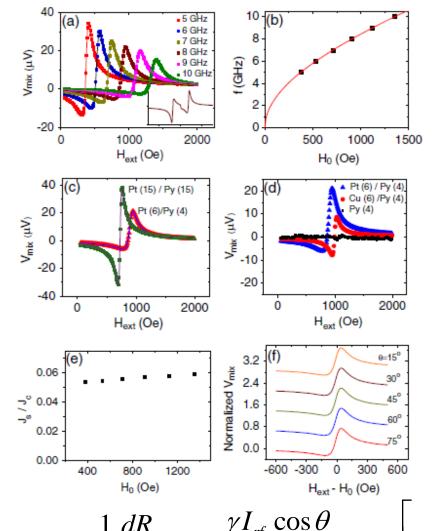
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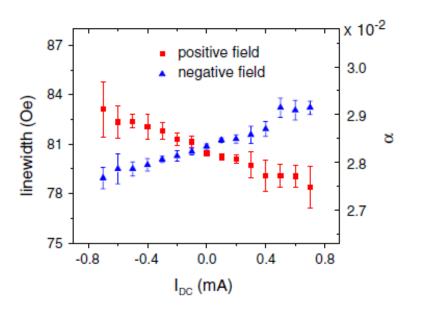
#### Spin-Torque Ferromagnetic Resonance Induced by the Spin Hall Effect

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$$\frac{d\hat{m}}{dt} - \gamma \hat{m} \times \vec{H}_{e\!f\!f} + \alpha \hat{m} \times \frac{d\hat{m}}{dt} + \gamma \frac{\hbar}{2e\mu_0 M_S t} J_{S,r\!f} \left( \hat{m} \times \hat{\sigma} \times \hat{m} \right) - \gamma \hat{m} \times \vec{H}_{r\!f}$$
Anti-damp torques





on AMR to generate voltage signals. Not suitable for magnetic insulator.

Special case: Pt/YIG, Ta/YIG...

$$V_{mix} = -\frac{1}{4} \frac{dR}{d\theta} \frac{\gamma I_{rf} \cos \theta}{\Delta 2\pi \left(df / dH\right)|_{H_{ext} = H_0}} \left[ S \frac{\Delta^2}{\Delta^2 + \left(H_{ext} - H_0\right)^2} + A \frac{\left(H_{ext} - H_0\right)\Delta}{\Delta^2 + \left(H_{ext} - H_0\right)^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{J_{S,rf}}{J_{C,rf}} = \frac{S}{A} \frac{e\mu_0 M_S td}{\hbar} \left[ 1 + \left(4\pi M_{eff} / H_{ext}\right) \right]^{1/2} \text{ The spin Hall angle can be determined from the relative magnitude of the two components.}$$

components.

# Modulation of magnetization damping (MOD)

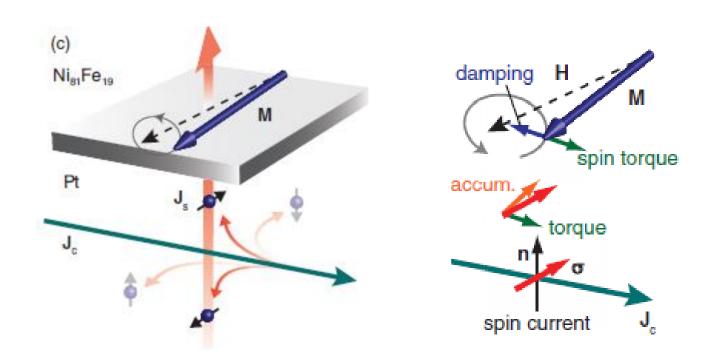
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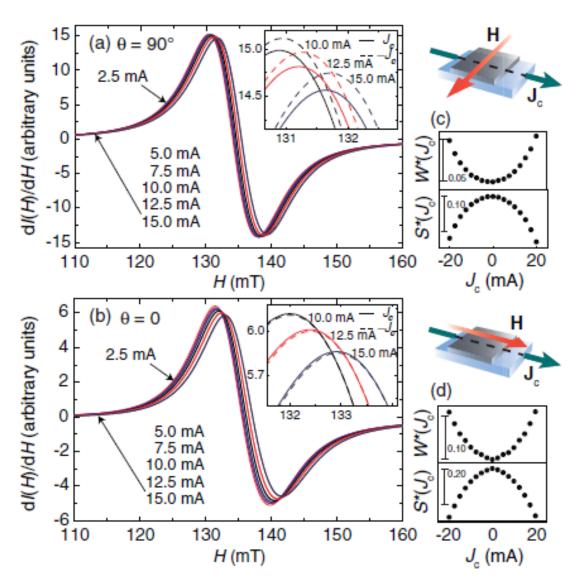
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#### Electric Manipulation of Spin Relaxation Using the Spin Hall Effect

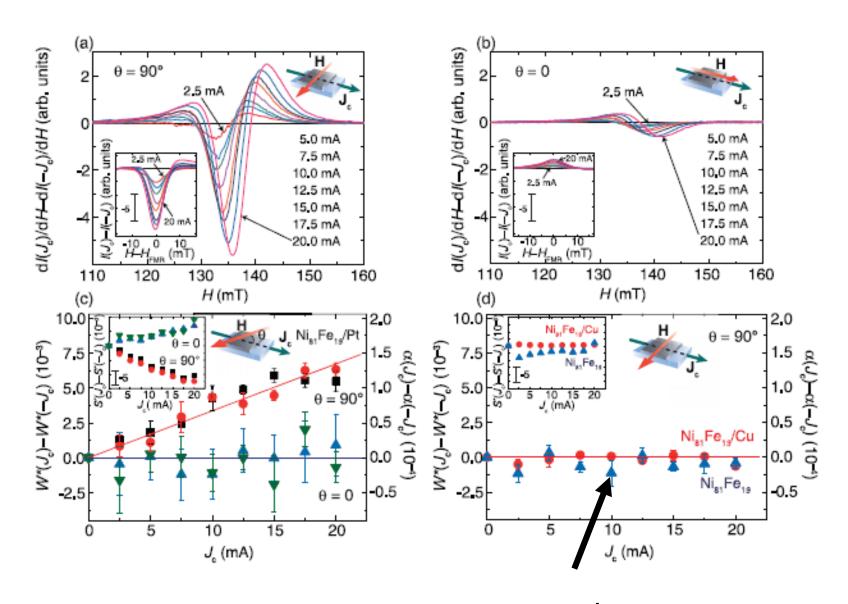
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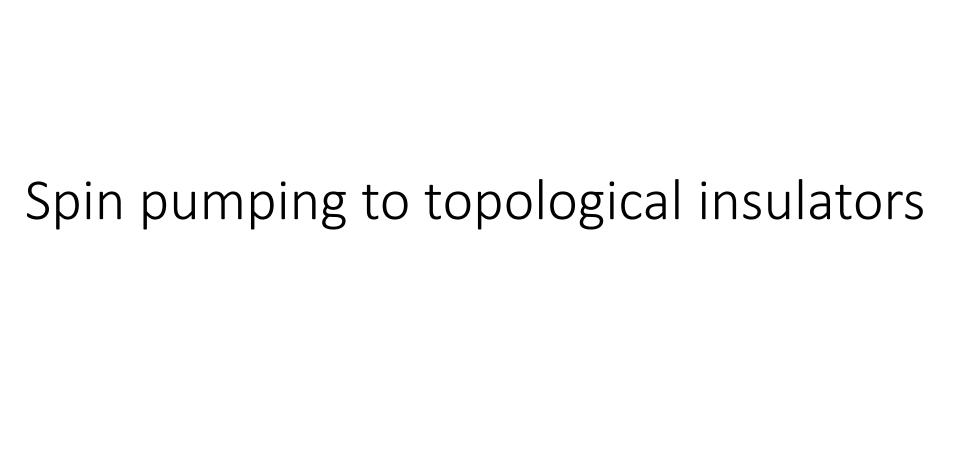


Thermal effects on FMR spectra can be serious.

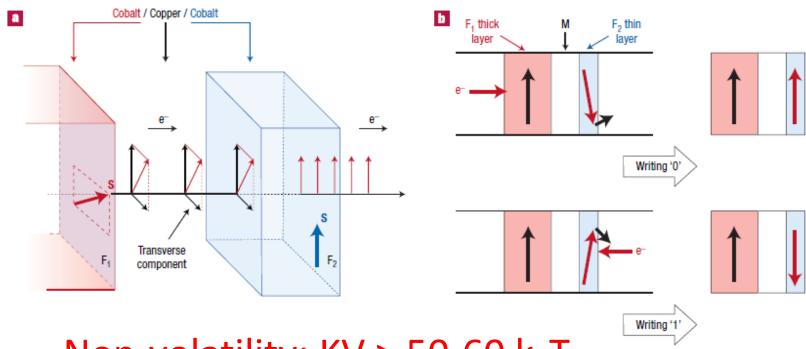
Need to change the inplane field angle to separate the spintransfer effect from the thermal effect.



Controlled sample Py/Cu: Cu has small spin Hall angle.



#### Application: data storage



Non-volatility:  $KV > 50-60 k_BT$ 

K: magnetic anisotropy constant

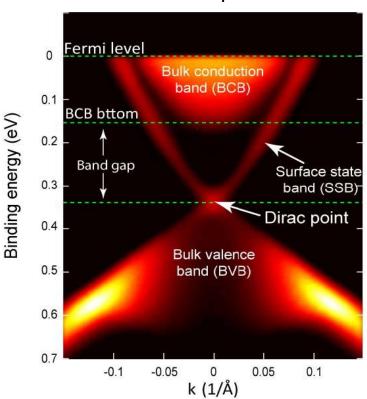
V: volume of nano-particle

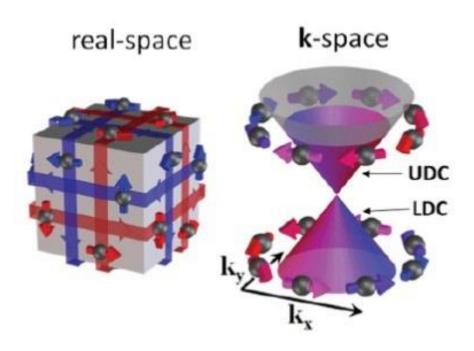
k<sub>B</sub>: Boltzmann constant

Goal: Find a material that can generate maximum spin torques from a given charge current.

#### Topological insulators

#### **ARPES** spectra





Nearly 100 % spin polarization.

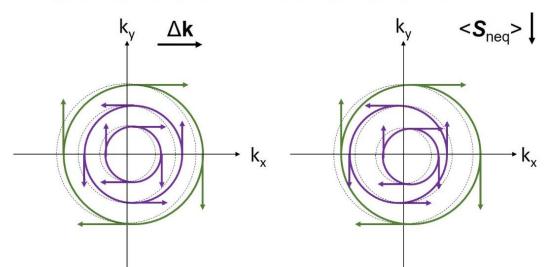
Spin-momentum locking: the direction of electron motion determines the spin direction.

#### Challenges

- Bulk conduction of TIs obscures the effect of topological surface states
- Large variation of reported effective spin Hall angle  $\theta_{SH}$  (or conversion efficiency)
  - **0.022** in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/Py at 15 K (Deorani et al. (2014))
  - $\sim 10^{-4}$  in bulk insulating Bi<sub>1.5</sub>Sb<sub>0.5</sub>Te<sub>1.7</sub>Se<sub>1.3</sub> at 15 K (Shiomi et al. (2014))
  - **0.021~0.43** in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/CoFeB at **RT** (Jamali et al. (2015))
- Current shunting effect by ferromagnetic metals in ST-FMR measurement

Ferrimagnetic insulator YIG with high thermal stability is an ideal spin source.





	Inverse spin Hall effect (ISHE)	Inverse Edelstein effect (IEE)
location	bulk	surface
condition	Spin current normal to the interface	"non-equilibrium" spin density at interface
material	Normal metals and semiconductors including 3D TIs	TIs and Rasba materials possessing k-dependent spin- polarized states

# Spin Hall angle and IEE length

 $j_c = \lambda_{IEE} j_s$  (definition of IEE length)

$$j_c = \theta_{SH} \lambda_N \tanh \left( \frac{d_N}{2 \lambda_N} \right) j_s$$
, 2D charge current from ISHE

$$\lambda_N >> d_N, \ \lambda_{IEE} = \frac{1}{2} d_N \theta_{SH}$$

$$\lambda_N \ll d_N, \ \lambda_{IEE} = \lambda_N \theta_{SH}$$

Using spin Hall angle to determine conversion ratio of 3D  $j_c$  and 2D  $j_s$  can lead to "unphysical" value (> 1).

Ex:  $\theta_{SH}$  = 1.6 for  $\alpha$ -Sn if compared with W

#### Questions

1. Does ferromagnetic metal suppress topological surface states?

2. Can spin pumping distinguish surface and bulk effects (IEE and ISHE) of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>?

Structure	Journal	method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
Py Ag Bi Si (001)	Nat. Commun. <b>4</b> , 2944 (2013) (A. Fert)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.09 ~ 0.2 0.3 nm	First demonstration of RT IEE with Rasba alloys Ag/Bi
Py Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Nature <b>511</b> , 449 (2014) (D. Ralph)	ST-FMR	300K: 2 ~ 3.5	Giant RT spin torque ratio of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> "Signature" of RT EE
Py Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	PRB <b>90</b> , 094403 (2014) (S. Oh)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.009 15K: 0.02	ISHE of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> , BSTS, and Sn-BTS	PRL <b>113</b> , 196601 (2014) (E. Saitoh)	Spin pumping	15K: ~10⁻⁴	Low T IEE of TIs (crystal)
$Co_{40}Fe_{40}B_{20}$ $Bi_2Se_3$ $Al_2O_3$	PRL <b>114</b> , 257202 (2015) (S. Oh)	ST-FMR	300K: 0.047 50K: 0.42	Large Low T spin torque ratio of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> "Signature" of RT EE

Structure	Journal	method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
Py Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> Co <sub>50</sub> Fe <sub>50</sub>	Sci. Rep. <b>5</b> , 7907 (2015) (University of Oxford)	Spin pumping		Atypical thickness dependence of mixing conductance
$Co_{20}Fe_{60}B_{20}$ $Bi_2Se_3$ InP	Nano Lett. <b>15</b> , 7126 (2015) (Jian-Ping Wang, University of Minnesota)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.43	Giant RT ISHE of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>
Fe Ag Sn InSb (001)	PRL <b>116</b> , 096602 (2016) (A. Fert)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.62 ~ 1.5 2.1 nm	Giant RT IEE of TI Sn
Py $Bi_{2}Te_{3}$ $Al_{2}O_{3}$	PRB <b>92</b> , 241304(R) (2015) (S. F. Lee)	Spin pumping	5 K: 0.003 ~ 0.0062	"Signature" of low T IEE of Bi <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub> Low T ISHE of Bi <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub>
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> YIG	PRL <b>117</b> , 076601 (2018) (N. Samarth)	Spin pumping	300 K IEE length: 0.04 nm	First study on FI/TI

Structure	Journal	method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
Ру	PRB <b>90</b> , 094403 (2014) (S. Oh)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.009 15K: 0.02	ISHE of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>				
$Al_2O_3$				

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#### Observation of inverse spin Hall effect in bismuth selenide

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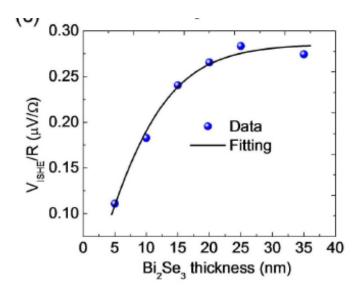
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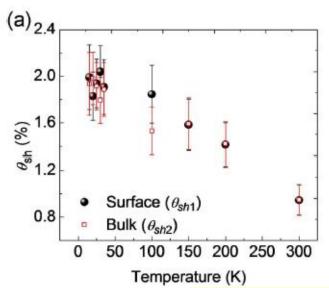
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Bismuth Selenide ( $Bi_2Se_3$ ) is a topological insulator exhibiting helical spin polarization and strong spin-orbit coupling. The spin-orbit coupling links the charge current to spin current via the spin Hall effect (SHE). We demonstrate a  $Bi_2Se_3$  spin detector by injecting the pure spin current from a magnetic permalloy layer to a  $Bi_2Se_3$  thin film and detect the inverse SHE in  $Bi_2Se_3$ . The spin Hall angle of  $Bi_2Se_3$  is found to be 0.0093  $\pm$  0.0013 and the spin diffusion length in  $Bi_2Se_3$  to be 6.2  $\pm$  0.15 nm at room temperature. Our results suggest that topological insulators with strong spin-orbit coupling can be used in functional spintronic devices.





was taken to be of opposite signs. Fitting the measured data, we obtain  $\theta_{sh1}$  at surface and  $\theta_{sh2}$  at bulk for each temperature as shown in Fig. 4(a), which does not show any clear distinction between the surface and bulk value. Figure 4(b) shows the  $\lambda_{sf}$ 

In order to distinguish the surface and bulk contributions, they assumed a spin Hall angle  $\theta_{sh1}$  for TSS, believing that TSS would give far larger spin Hall angle than the bulk. However, the fitting results show that  $\theta_{sh1} \approx \theta_{sh2}$ . That is, no TSS features were revealed in this work.

Structure		Journal	method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
Ру		PRL <b>113</b> , 196601 (2014) (E. Saitoh)	Spin pumping	15K: ~10 <sup>-4</sup>	Low T IEE of TIs (crystal)
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> , BSTS, and Sn-BTS					
PRL 11	1 <b>3.</b> 196601	(2014) PHYSICAL R	EVIEW LETTE		ek ending EMBER 2014

#### Spin-Electricity Conversion Induced by Spin Injection into Topological Insulators

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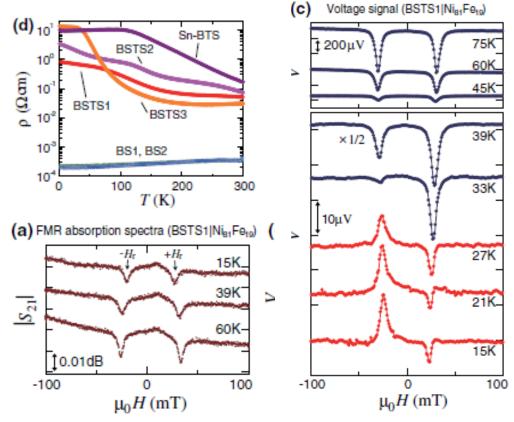
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We report successful spin injection into the surface states of topological insulators by using a spin pumping technique. By measuring the voltage that shows up across the samples as a result of spin pumping, we demonstrate that a spin-electricity conversion effect takes place in the surface states of bulk-insulating topological insulators Bi<sub>1.5</sub>Sb<sub>0.5</sub>Te<sub>1.7</sub>Se<sub>1.3</sub> and Sn-doped Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>2</sub>Se. In this process, the injected spins are converted into a charge current along the Hall direction due to the spin-momentum locking on the surface state.

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Obviously, they have realized the difficulties of separating surface and bulk effects. So they choose bulk-insulating BSTS to rule out ISHE. However, the very small spincharge ratio is very puzzling. (Question 1)



The data show negative field shifts as T became lower, similar to Faris' data. However, they did not mention this.

unit vector perpendicular to the plane. Here, due to the strictly 2D nature, spins do not "flow" along the z direction within the surface state and the converted charge current  $J_c$  has the 2D nature. Hence, the mechanism of this spin-electricity conversion is different from that in the inverse spin Hall effect, where a spin current flowing within a finite thickness of a sample is converted into a 3D charge current along the Hall direction.

samples [Fig. 3(a)]. It is worth mentioning that the present spin-electricity conversion effect is rather similar to that reported in Rashba-split systems [31,32], but the efficiency is, in principle, much higher in TIs than that in the Rashba-split system [33]. The spin-momentum locking on a single Dirac cone predicts efficient spin-electricity conversion in TIs even at room temperature as long as the surface state is robust, while in the Rashba-split systems where a pair of bands exist, one of the bands counteracts the effect of the other.

### The thing is, are TSS still "robust" in this structure?

to the spin-momentum locking. Though the efficiency of the spin-electricity conversion in the present work is as small as  $\eta \sim 10^{-4}$ , the spin-momentum locking on topological surface states can, in principle, lead to efficient conversion between spin and electricity.

Structure		Journal method		Spin-charge ratio	Importance	
	$Co_{20}Fe_{60}B_{20}$ $Bi_2Se_3$		Nano Lett. <b>15</b> , 7126 (2015) (Jian-Ping Wang, University of Minnesota)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.015 ~ 0.43	Giant RT ISHE of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>
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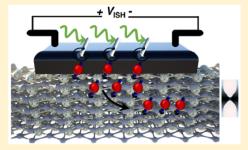
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#### Nothing new in physics again.

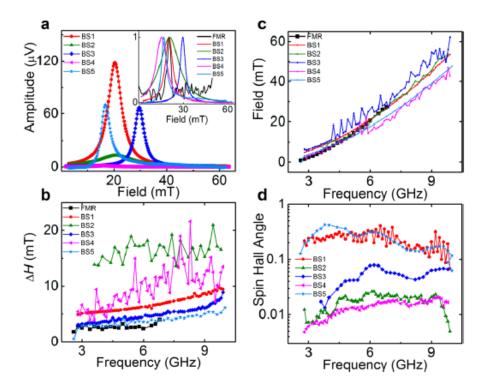
### Giant Spin Pumping and Inverse Spin Hall Effect in the Presence of Surface and Bulk Spin—Orbit Coupling of Topological Insulator Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>

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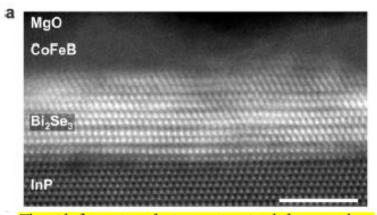
**ABSTRACT:** Three-dimensional (3D) topological insulators are known for their strong spin—orbit coupling (SOC) and the existence of spin-textured surface states that might be potentially exploited for "topological spintronics." Here, we use spin pumping and the inverse spin Hall effect to demonstrate successful spin injection at room temperature from a metallic ferromagnet (CoFeB) into the prototypical 3D topological insulator  $Bi_2Se_3$ . The spin pumping process, driven by the magnetization dynamics of the metallic ferromagnet, introduces a spin current into the topological insulator layer, resulting in a broadening of the ferromagnetic resonance (FMR) line width. Theoretical modeling of spin pumping through the surface of  $Bi_2Se_3$ , as well as of the measured angular dependence of spin-charge conversion signal, suggests that pumped spin current is first greatly



enhanced by the surface SOC and then converted into a dc-voltage signal primarily by the inverse spin Hall effect due to SOC of the bulk of  $Bi_2Se_3$ . We find that the FMR line width broadens significantly (more than a factor of 5) and we deduce a spin Hall angle as large as 0.43 in the  $Bi_2Se_3$  layer.



The samples had severely degraded. All of the curves should be smooth, so the calculated spin Hall angles are questionable.



The wide fluctuation of spin pumping signals from sample to sample could be explained based on the nonuniform composition of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> at its interface with the magnetic layer. Recently, it has been shown that surfaces of TIs are very nonuniform in terms of chemical potential and position of Dirac point.<sup>53</sup> Because the Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/CoFeB interface plays the major role in the spin injection, the large variations of the spin pumping characteristics could be associated with nonuniform Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> surface. Moreover, the decapping process could also be responsible for modification of the TI surface considering Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> has strong thermoelectric properties.<sup>54</sup> Comparing the samples BS1-4 with BS5, BS5 is not involved in any hightemperature decapping process and we obtain the maximum spin Hall angle in this sample. This suggests that heat treatment temperature and a large spin Hall angle. In highly bulkconductive Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> TIs, the inverse Hall effect of the bulk seems to dominate over the inverse Edelstein effect of the surface state, at least in spin pumping experiments. Moreover, we find

(Question 2??)

Stı	Structure Journal		method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
	Fe	PRL <b>116</b> ,096602 (2016) (A. Fert)	Spin pumping	300K: 0.62 ~ 1.5	Giant RT IEE of TI Sn
InS	Ag Sn b (001)	(A. Fert)			

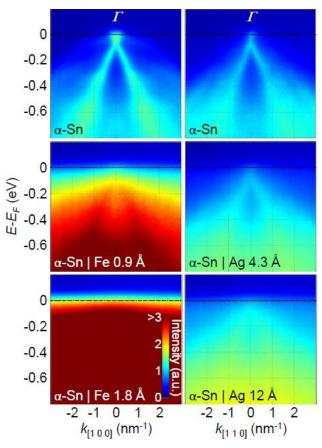
#### Spin-pumping into surface states of topological insulator $\alpha$ -Sn, spin to charge conversion

#### at room temperature

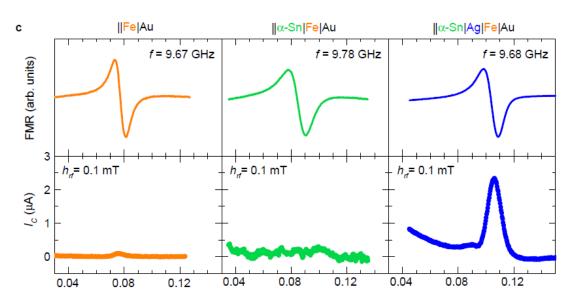
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Fermi level is very closed to the Dirac point of Sn. TSS disappeared when Fe was deposited on top. (Question 1)



surfaces" of  $TI^{22}$ . We believe that the long relaxation time on free topological surfaces characterizes the slow relaxation inside the 2D topological states whereas, by interfacing the TI (or Rashba) surface with a metal as Ag, we introduce a faster additional relaxation mechanism provided by exchanges of electrons with the adjacent 3D metal. We conclude that the best conditions for the exploitation of topological sates of TI in spintronics should be with TI interfaced with (trivial) insulators instead of metals, for example in experiments of spin-pumping or thermal<sup>23</sup> spin injection from an insulating ferromagnet. If one remarks that  $v_F \tau$  is also the critical length for

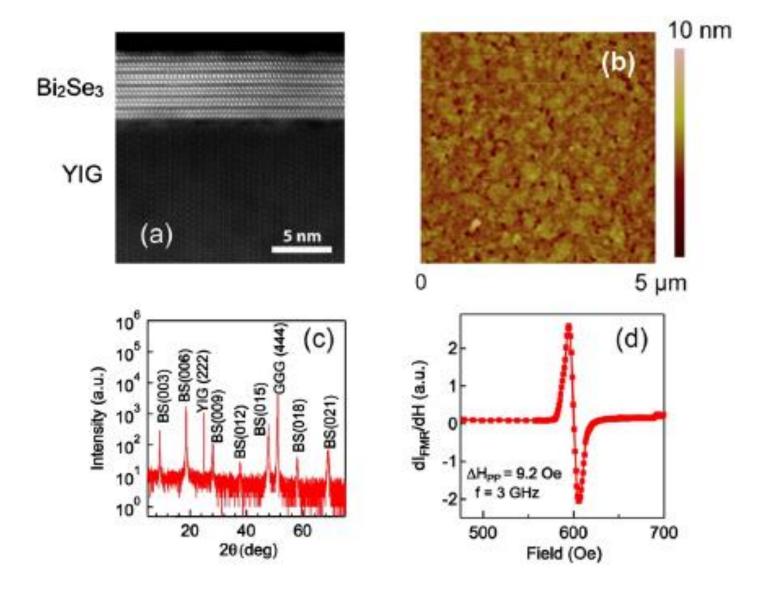
Could this explain the small spin-charge ratio from the Japanese group's work?

Structure	Journal	method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> YIG	PRL <b>117</b> , 076601 (2018) (N. Samarth)	Spin pumping	300 K IEE length: 0.04 nm	First study on FI/TI

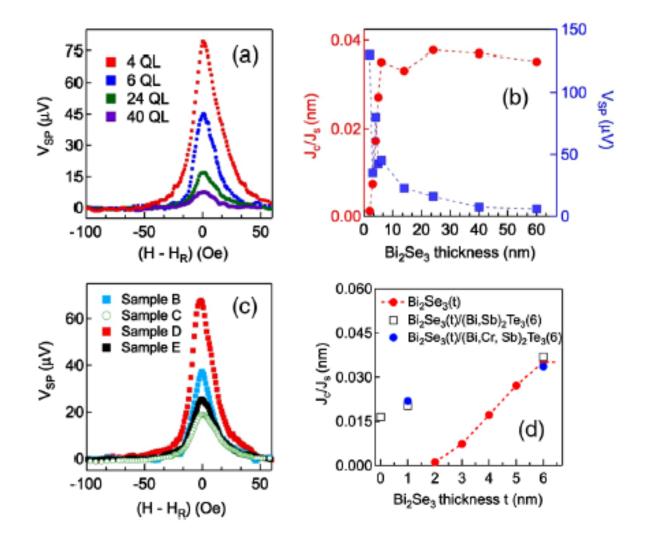
### Surface-State-Dominated Spin-Charge Current Conversion in Topological-Insulator-Ferromagnetic-Insulator Heterostructures

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We report the observation of ferromagnetic resonance-driven spin pumping signals at room temperature in three-dimensional topological insulator thin films—Bi $_2$ Se $_3$  and (Bi, Sb) $_2$ Te $_3$ —deposited by molecular beam epitaxy on  $Y_3$ Fe $_5$ O $_{12}$  thin films. By systematically varying the Bi $_2$ Se $_3$  film thickness, we show that the spin-charge conversion efficiency, characterized by the inverse Rashba-Edelstein effect length ( $\lambda_{IREE}$ ), increases dramatically as the film thickness is increased from two quintuple layers, saturating above six quintuple layers. This suggests a dominant role of surface states in spin and charge interconversion in topological-insulator–ferromagnet heterostructures. Our conclusion is further corroborated by studying a series of  $Y_3$ Fe $_5$ O $_{12}$ /(Bi, Sb) $_2$ Te $_3$  heterostructures. Finally, we use the ferromagnetic resonance linewidth broadening and the inverse Rashba-Edelstein signals to determine the effective interfacial spin mixing conductance and  $\lambda_{IRFE}$ .



There is an amorphous interlayer between Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> and YIG, which prevent a direct coupling between Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> and YIG.



Surface-state-dominated spin-to-charge conversion is confirmed by:

- Unique Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> thickness dependence, in which a maximum SCC occurs at the 2D limit of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>.
- 2. Changing the bulk band of TIs while preserving the Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> surface states does not affect SCC much (questionable).

Structure		Journal	method	Spin-charge ratio	Importance
Py Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub>		Nature <b>511</b> , 449 (2014) (D. Ralph)	ST-FMR	300K: 2 ~ 3.5	Giant RT spin torque ratio of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> "Signature" of RT EE
	$Al_2O_3$				

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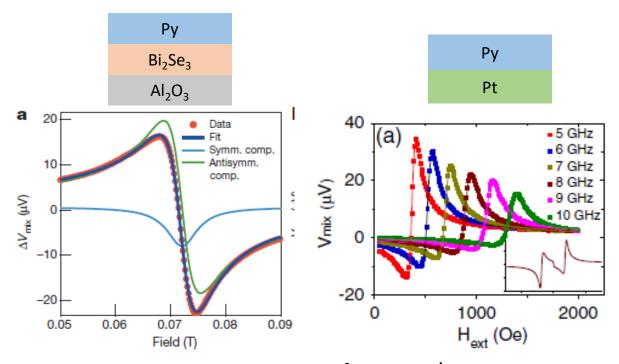
### Spin-transfer torque generated by a topological insulator

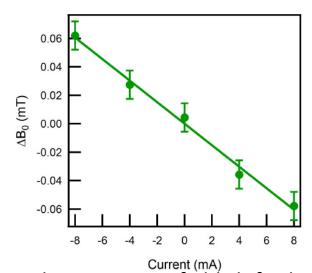
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#### Signatures of Edelstein effect (EE):

- 1. Large anti-symmetric component of voltage signals.
- 2. Resonance field shifts.

The two features result from non-equilibrium spin density at TSS.





The resonance field shifted when applying dc current. From the shifts, magnitude of field-like torques can be determined.

Large antisymmetric component for Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/Py. In contrast, symmetric signals dominate for Pt/Py (without EE).

any previously measured spin current source material. However, as noted above, for practical applications the specific layer structure of our devices (topological insulator/metallia magnet) does not make good use of this

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insulator. Using insulating magnets may also have the advantage of providing much less Gilbert damping than do metallic magnets<sup>29</sup>, which

They did not do Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> thickness dependence measurement, so it's still hard to extract the EE.

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magnets so that the majority of the current will flow in the topological

deleterious effects of bulk conduction. Our results therefore point towards

	Journal method		Spin-charge ratio	Importance
$Co_{40}Fe_{40}B_{20}$ $Bi_{2}Se_{3}$ $Al_{2}O_{3}$	PRL <b>114</b> , 257202 (2015) (S. Oh)	ST-FMR	300K: 0.047 50K: 0.42	Large Low T spin torque ratio of Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> "Signature" of RT EE

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#### Topological Surface States Originated Spin-Orbit Torques in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>

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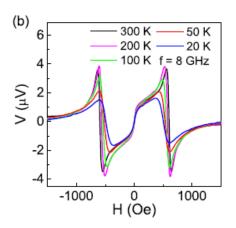
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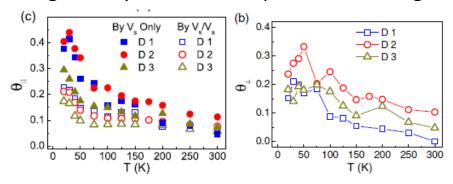
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The three dimensional topological insulator bismuth selenide ( $Bi_2Se_3$ ) is expected to possess strong spin-orbit coupling and spin-textured topological surface states and, thus, exhibit a high charge to spin current conversion efficiency. We evaluate spin-orbit torques in  $Bi_2Se_3/Co_{40}Fe_{40}B_{20}$  devices at different temperatures by spin torque ferromagnetic resonance measurements. As the temperature decreases, the spin-orbit torque ratio increases from  $\sim 0.047$  at 300 K to  $\sim 0.42$  below 50 K. Moreover, we observe a significant out-of-plane torque at low temperatures. Detailed analysis indicates that the origin of the observed spin-orbit torques is topological surface states in  $Bi_2Se_3$ . Our results suggest that topological insulators with strong spin-orbit coupling could be promising candidates as highly efficient spin current sources for exploring the next generation of spintronic applications.

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Large antisymmetric component of voltage.



Spin-charge ratio was greatly enhanced at low T. But the RT values are two order of magnitudes smaller than that from the Cornell group.

On the other hand, a possible out-of-plane spin polarization in the TSS has been theoretically predicted [55,56] and experimentally observed in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> [57,58], which is attributed to the hexagonal warping effect in the Fermi surface [55,59]. This out-of-plane spin polarization in the TSS can account for the observed  $\Delta \tau$  especially in the low temperature range (<50 K), and the  $\Delta \tau$  adds to the  $\tau_{\rm Oe}$  [27,31]. Moreover, as shown in Figs. 3(a) and 4(a), the out-of-plane torque ( $\Delta \tau$ ) has the same order of magnitude comparable to the in-plane torque ( $\tau_{\parallel}$ ) below 50 K ( $\Delta \tau/\tau_{\parallel} \sim 60\%$ ) [37], which is in agreement with the behavior of hexagonal TSS in TI [55,56]. With the analysis from different aspects, our findings especially in the low temperature range (<50 K) indicate a TSS origin of spin-orbit torques in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> and CFB.

They explained the origin of field-like torques with spin texture only qualitatively. They did not resort to the model proposed by the Cornell group.

### Questions

1. Does ferromagnetic metal suppress topological surface states?

Yes. (A. Fert and E. Saitoh)

2. Can spin pumping distinguish surface and bulk effects (IEE and ISHE) of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>?

It's difficult for TI/FM, but how about FI/TI?

3. Now that ST-FMR have shown the signature of EE with large field-like torques, which come from non-equilibrium spin density, is it possible to observe similar effect (IEE) with spin pumping?

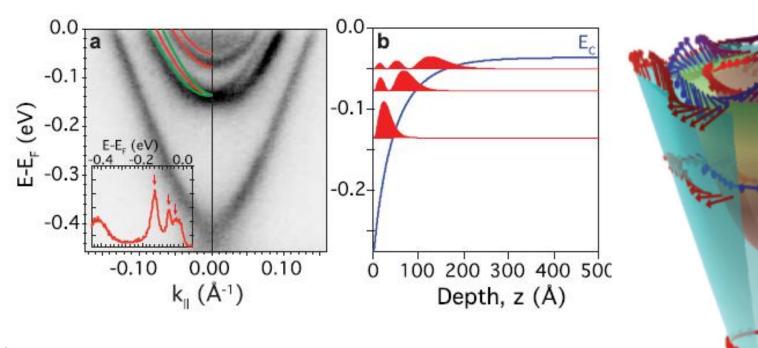
Note that in A. Fert's work they did not deposit Fe directly on Sn. A Ag layer may weaken the effect of non-equilibrium spin density, which is localized, on Fe. That is, the Ag layer separate Fe and Sn out of the range of exchange coupling. Therefore, "signatures (negative field shift)" of IEE were not observed.

### More questions

 How does the ac component of the pumped spin current affect the TSS?

 How does spin canting of TSS affect the spin transport properties?

### Spin texture of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>



- ➤ Large Rashba splitting of 2DEG in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> has been confirmed by ARPES. The interplay between TSS and 2DEG leads to intricate spin texture.
- The spin pumping effect strongly depends on the interface electronic structure and spin texture.
- ➤ The spin transport of topological interface state near a magnetic layer is of further interest to investigate.





# Spin transport and interfacial exchange coupling in topological insulator/magnetic insulator heterostructure

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### **Outline**

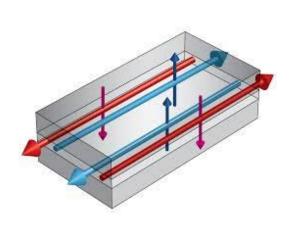
#### Introduction

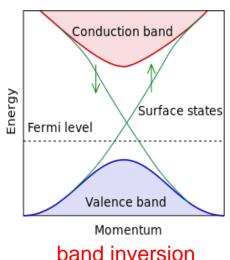
- Spin pumping in topological insulators (TIs)
- Magnetic proximity effect (MPE) in TI/magnetic insulator heterostructures

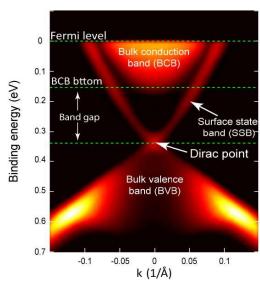
#### Experimental results

- Spin pumping and spin-to-charge conversion (SCC) in TI/ferromagnetic metals
- Surface-state-modulated magnetization dynamics in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG
- Spin pumping in transferred-Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/Au/YIG trilayer
- Evidence for exchange Diarc gap in magneto-transport of topological insulator-magnetic insulator heterostructures

### Topological insulators (TI)





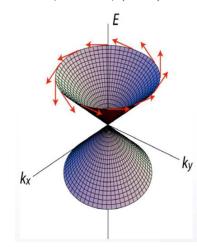


Electronic band structure along K-Γ-K of undoped Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> by ARPES, Y. L. Chen et al, Science, (2010).

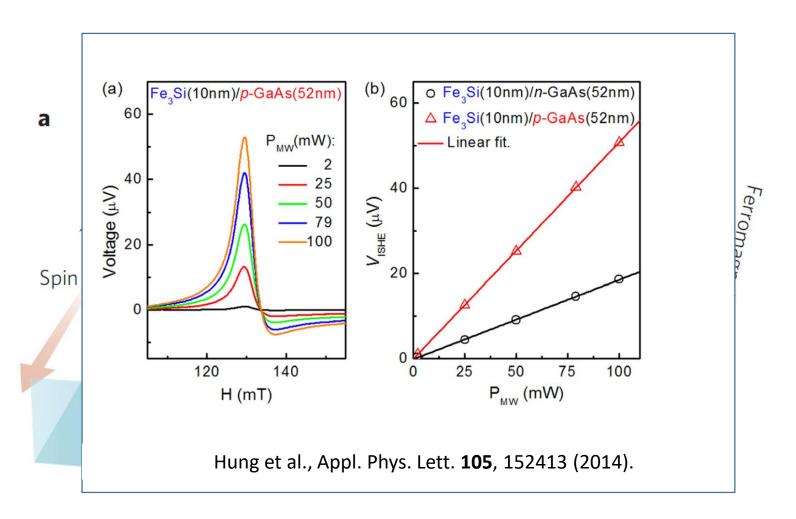
- Extraordinary physical properties
  - Quantum spin Hall state
  - Spin-momentum locking

#### Applications

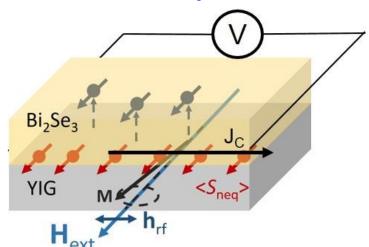
- Low dissipation spintronics and spin-caloritronics
- High spin-charge conversion device, such as a "spin battery".
- Interface of TI and superconductor Majorana fermion, quantum computation



#### Spin pumping: a solution to impedance mismatch problem



## Spin pumping as an effective way to probe the spin-momentum locking

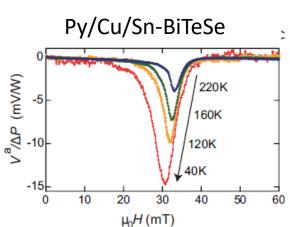


Spin pumping: a widely used spin injection method FMR in the magnetic layer

- →Exchange interaction at the interface: transfer of spin angular momentum
- →Spin accumulation at the interface
- → Charge current generated via spin-momentum locking

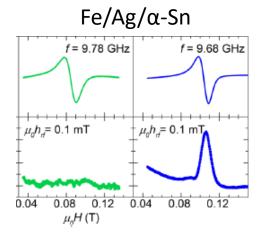
Various material systems and experimental configurations have been reported.

#### E. Saitoh group



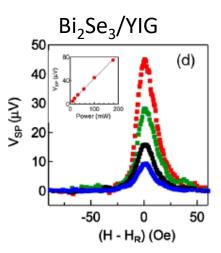
PRB **94**, 204404 (2016).

A. Fert group



PRL **116**, 096602 (2016).

N. Samarth group



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### Challenges of spin pumping into TIs

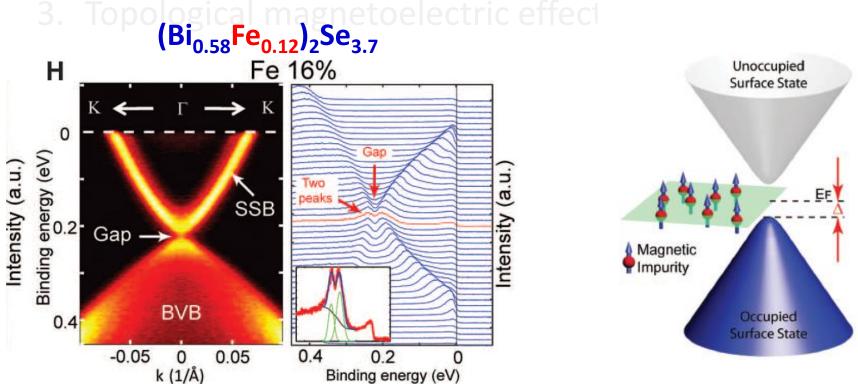
- Bulk conduction of TIs obscures the effect of topological surface states
- Large variation in reported effective spin Hall angle  $\theta_{\text{SH}}$ 
  - **0.022** in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/Py at 15 K (Deorani et al. (2014))
  - ~10<sup>-4</sup> in bulk insulating  $Bi_{1.5}Sb_{0.5}Te_{1.7}Se_{1.3}$  at 15 K (Shiomi et al. (2014))
  - **0.021-0.43** in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/CoFeB at RT (Jamali et al. (2015))
  - **0.27-0.62** in Fe/Ag/α-Sn at RT (Rojas-Sánchez et al. (2016))
  - **~0.02** in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG at RT (Wang et al. (2016))
- Current shunting effect by ferromagnetic metals in ST-FMR measurement

Ferrimagnetic insulator YIG with high thermal stability is an ideal spin source.

### Breaking the time-reversal-symmetry of TI surface state

#### **Experimental observations**

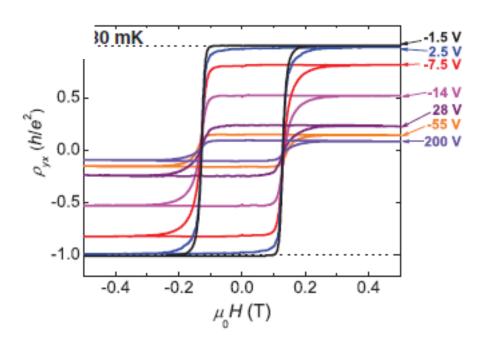
- 1. Gap opening of TI surface states
- nagnetoelectric effect



Chen et al., Science **329**, 659 (2010).

### Breaking the time-reversal-symmetry of TI surface state Experimental observations:

- 1. Gap opening of TI surface states
- 2. Quantum anomalous Hall effect (QAHE)
- 3. Topological magnetoelectric effect  $Cr_{0.15}(Bi_{0.58}Sb_{0.12})_{1.85}Te_{3.7}$  at 30 mK

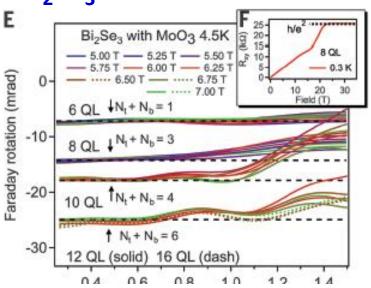


Quantum Hall effect without an external field!

### Breaking the time-reversal-symmetry of TI surface state

#### Experimental observations:

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- 3. Topological magnetoelectric effect Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> at above 5 T field

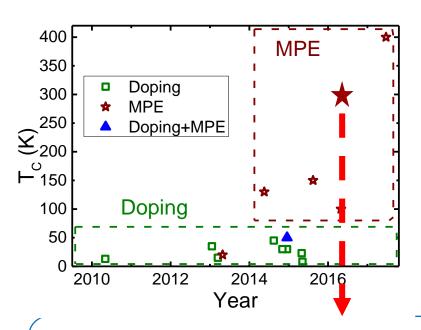


Wu et al., Science 354, 1124 (2016).

Quantized Faraday rotation.

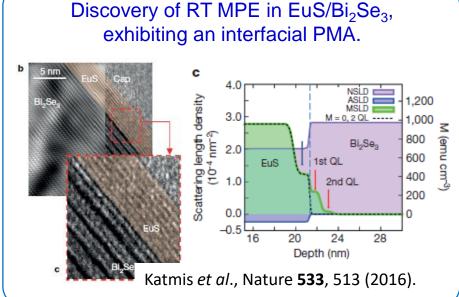
Other effective ways of breaking TRS aside from magnetic doping and high external field?

### Magnetic proximity effect (MPE) in TI/magnetic layer heterostructures



Advantages of using the MPE to break time reversal symmetry:

- Higher T<sub>C</sub> than that of magnetic doping
- No crystal defects
- Uniform magnetization



How about MPE and the interfacial magnetic anisotropy in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG?

**High T IMA and low T PMA!** 

#### Our progress of spin pumping into TIs project (Mar. 2014 -)

Material development: FM/TI (Fe<sub>3</sub>Si/TI, and Py/TI)

(2014. Mar. - Dec. 2014)

- Serious interdiffusion problem.
- Properties of FM is greatly altered.



(TI/YIG and TI/TmIG) (Jan. 2015 - )

Interdiffusion problem is relieved.





#### Results I and II

Magnetic anisotropy and proximity effect (Feb. 2016 -)

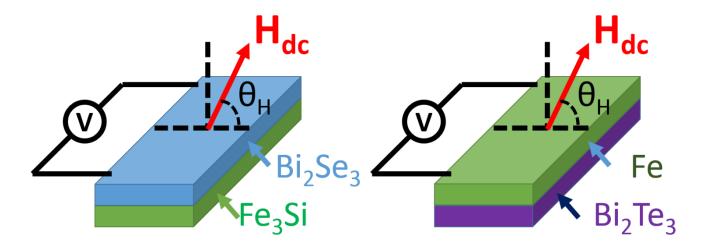
- Large in-plane magnetic anisotropy and large spin mixing conductance due to TSS
- Possible signature of MPE
- Enhanced exchange effect field at low

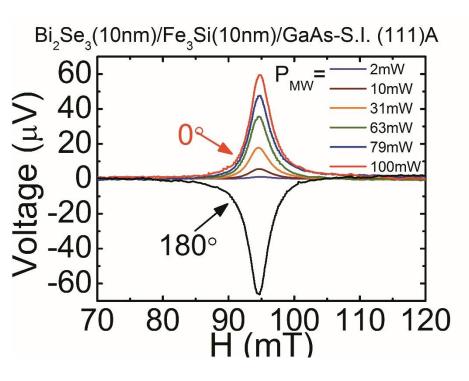
#### **Results I and III**

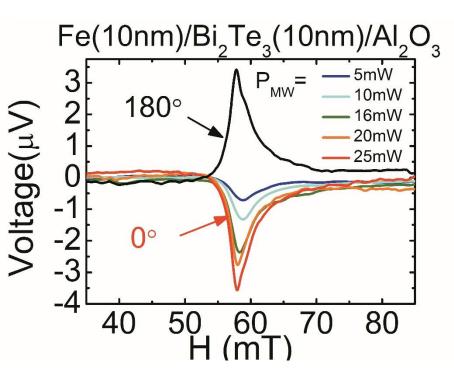
Spin pumping in to TIs (Jan. 2015 - )

Observed spin-to-charge conversion is small. **Goal: obtained sizable and more reliable voltage signals.** 

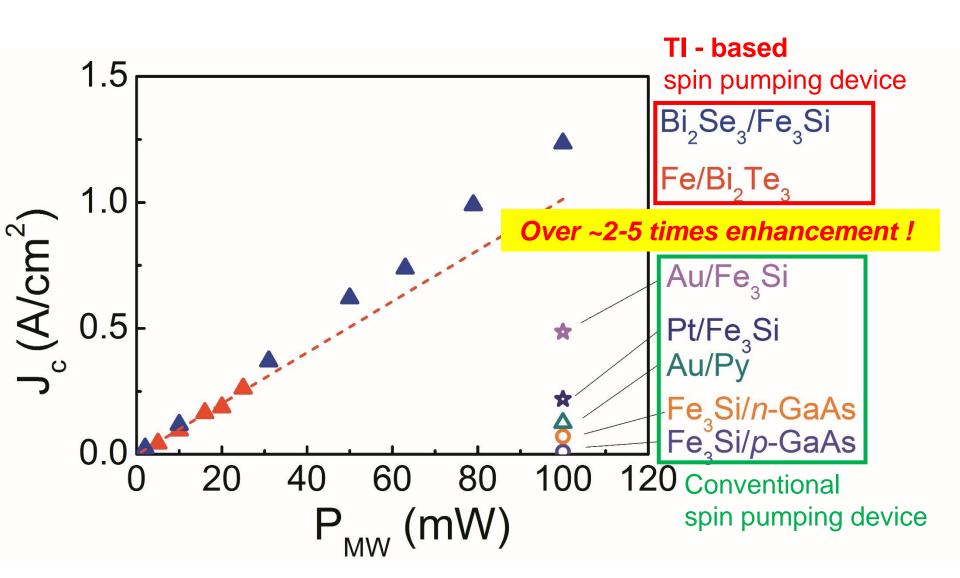
### Spin Pumping in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/Fe<sub>3</sub>Si and Fe/Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> Structures







### Potential Spin Battery Candidates: Converted Charge Current Density Comparison

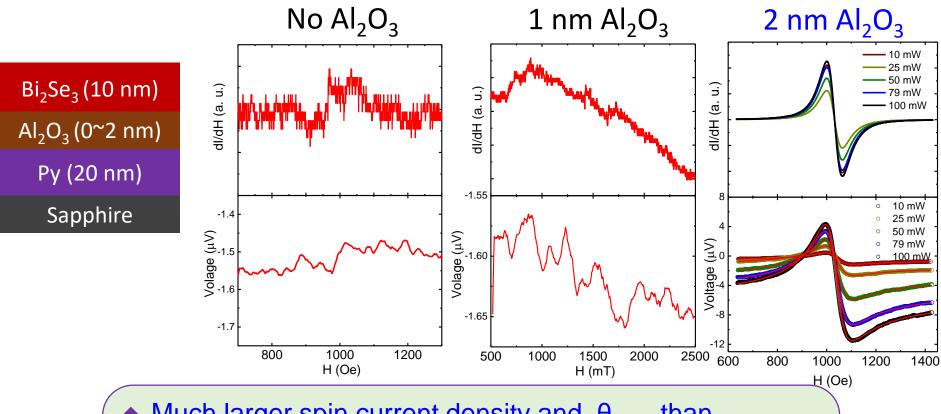


### Comparison of $\theta_{ISHE}$

NM (FM)	Spin mixing conductance (m <sup>-2</sup> )	Spin current density (Jm <sup>-2</sup> )	Spin Hall Angle <i>θ<sub>ISHE</sub></i>	J <sub>c</sub> (A/cm²)
Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>3</sub> (Fe <sub>3</sub> Si)	$6.66 \times 10^{18}$	1.98 × 10 <sup>-9</sup>	$0.0053 \pm 0.002$	1.32
Bi <sub>2</sub> Te <sub>3</sub> (Fe)	$2.36 \times 10^{18}$	1.15× 10 <sup>-9</sup>	0.0068 ± 0.003	1.00
p-GaAs(Fe <sub>3</sub> Si)	$5.89 \times 10^{18}$	8.91× 10 <sup>-10</sup>	0.00019	0.0087
<i>n</i> -GaAs(Fe₃Si)	$1.46 \times 10^{19}$	$1.53 \times 10^{-9}$	0.000028	0.061
Au (Fe <sub>3</sub> Si)	4.24× 10 <sup>18</sup>	$6.48 \times 10^{-10}$	0.00505	0.49

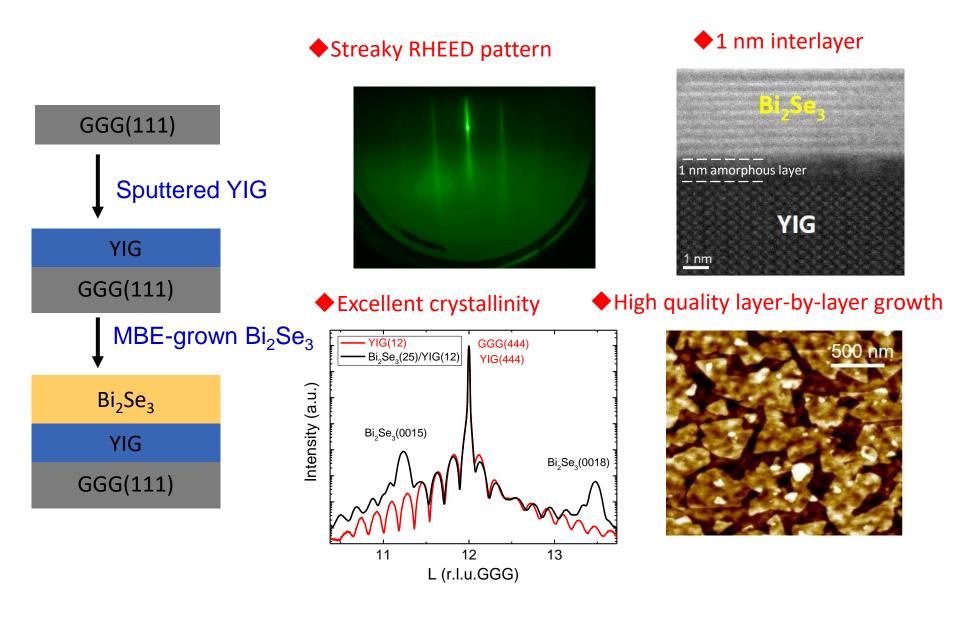
- Much larger spin current density and θ<sub>ISHE</sub> than conventional spin pumping devices
- Comparable to  $\theta_{ISHE}$  ~0.009 from S. Oh et al
- Strong spin-charge conversion efficiency

### Using Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> as a barrier layer to prevent interdiffusion



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- Comparable to  $\theta_{ISHE}$  ~0.009 from S. Oh et al
- Strong spin-charge conversion efficiency

#### Growth and structural characterization of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG

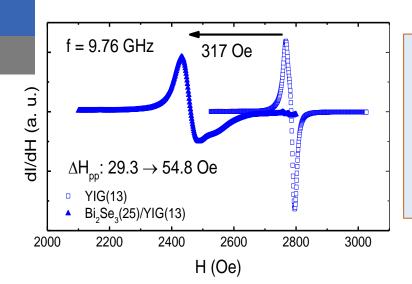


### Magnetic anisotropy in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG

25 nm Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>

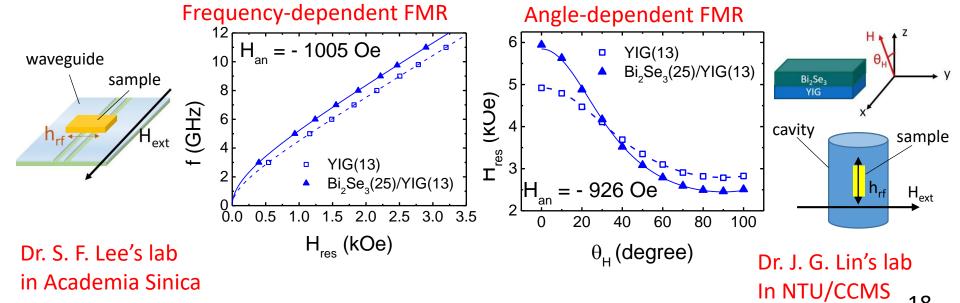
13 nm YIG

GGG(111)

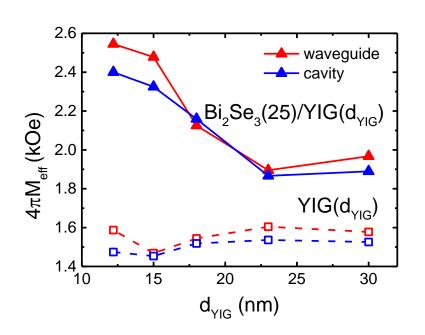


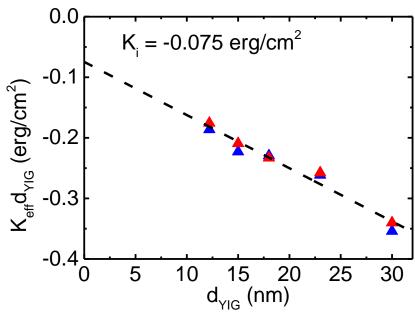
- Large H<sub>res</sub> shift is observed after growing Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> on YIG, due change of magnetic anisotropy.
- Angle- and frequency-dependent FMR show an enhanced in-plane anisotropy introduced by Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>.

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#### Interfacial magnetic anisotropy favoring in-plane direaction





 The effective magnetization M<sub>eff</sub> is larger in thinner YIG samples, which implies the change of anisotropy occurring at TI/YIG interfaces.

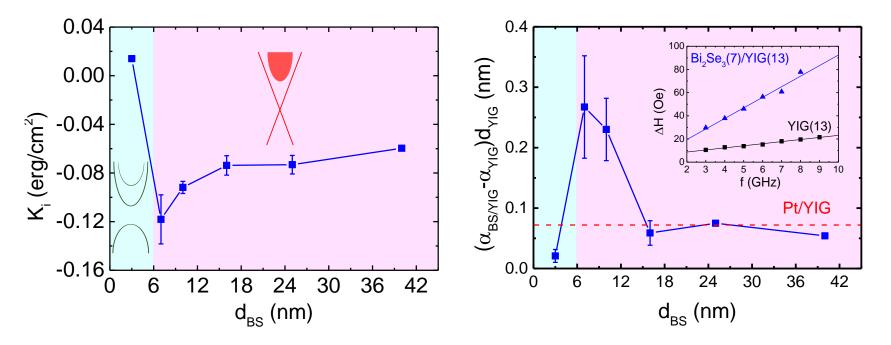
$$4\pi \left( M_{eff} \left( \text{Bi}_{2} \text{Se}_{3} / \text{YIG} \right) - M_{eff} \left( \text{YIG} \right) \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2}{M_{S}} \left( K_{eff} \left( \text{Bi}_{2} \text{Se}_{3} / \text{YIG} \right) - K_{eff} \left( \text{YIG} \right) \right)$$

$$= -H_{an}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2K_{i}}{M_{S}} \left( \frac{1}{d_{YIG}} \right) = H_{an}$$

#### Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> thickness dependence of K<sub>i</sub> and damping enhancement



- A. TSS can strongly enhance the magnetic anisotropy of the magnetic layer. (Kim *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **119**, 027201 (2017))
- B. Such unconventional thickness dependence might be related to the topological surface states of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>.
- C. The normalized damping enhancement peaks near the 2D limit (6 nm) of Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>, which is 3 times larger than that of Pt/YIG.

## Surface-state-mediated exchange coupling: theoretical aspect

PRL **119,** 027201 (2017)

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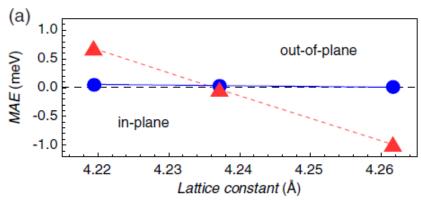
#### Understanding the Giant Enhancement of Exchange Interaction in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>-EuS Heterostructures

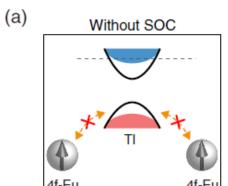
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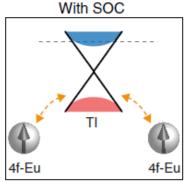
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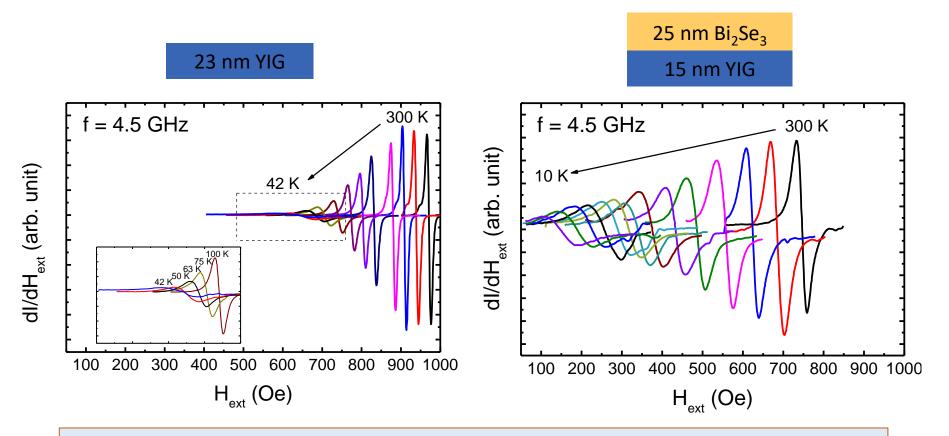






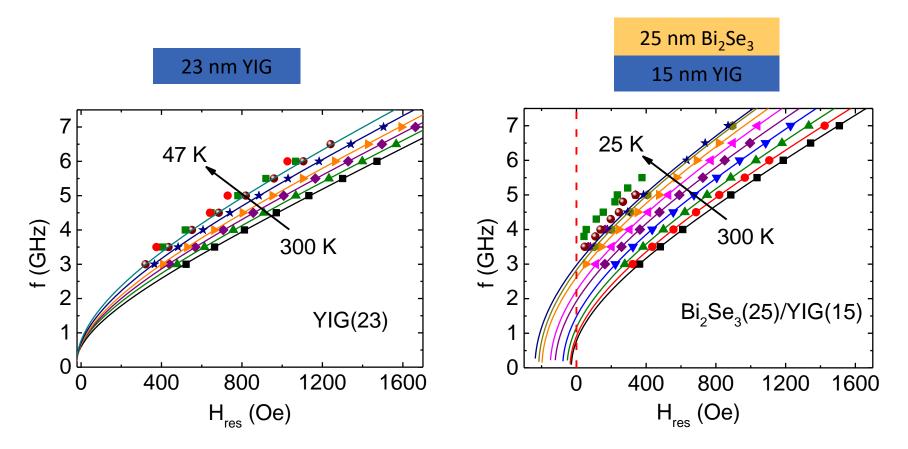
- A. The strong SOC of TI can enhance the magnetic anisotropy of the magnetic insulator.
- B. The sign of anisotropy may depend on atomic structure at the interface.
- C. The TI surface state mediates the exchange coupling of the magnetic ion of the magnetic layer.

#### Temperature-dependent FMR of YIG and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG



- Larger linewidth and damping → smaller microwave absorption
- Increasing H<sub>res</sub> shift at low temperature
- Less damping in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG below 50 K

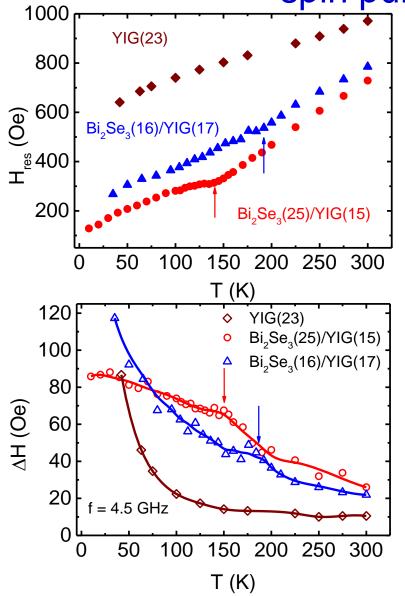
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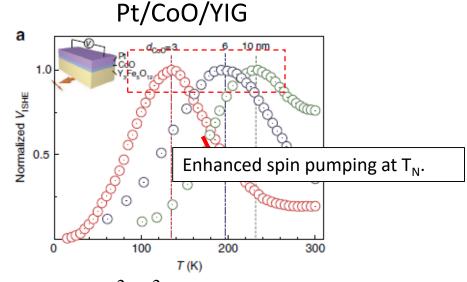


An effective field  $H_{\text{eff}}$  is necessary to fit the data.

$$f = \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \sqrt{(H + H_{eff})(H + H_{eff} + 4\pi M_{eff})}$$

## A possible indicator of MPE provided by spin pumping measurement





$$g_{\uparrow\downarrow} = \frac{8\pi J_{sd}^2 S_0^2 N_{\text{int}}}{\hbar^2 N_{SS}} \sum_{k} \frac{1}{\Omega_{rf}} \operatorname{Im} \chi_k^R \left(\Omega_{rf}\right)$$

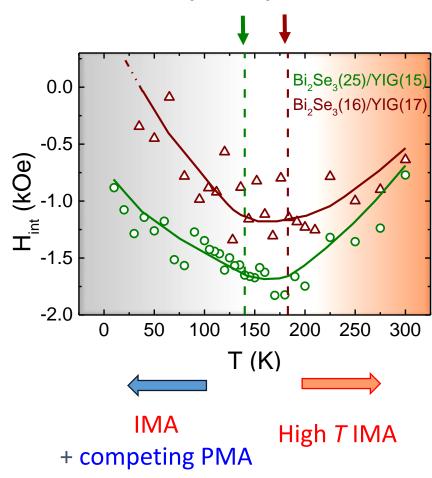
 $\chi_k^R$ : dynamical transverse spin susceptibility

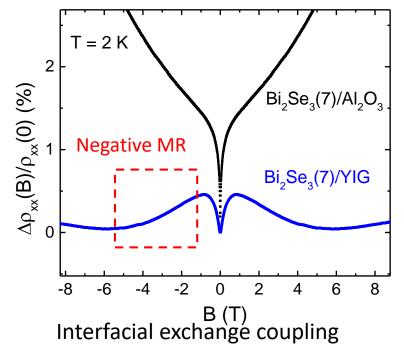
Spin pumping is expected to enhance around  $T_c$ . Magnetic proximity effect at 180 K?

Ohnuma et al., PRB **89**, 174417 (2014). Qiu et al., Nat. Comm. **7**, 12670 (2016). Frangou et al., PRL **116**, 077203 (2016).

## Emerging low TPMA and negative magnetoresistance

"hump" temperature

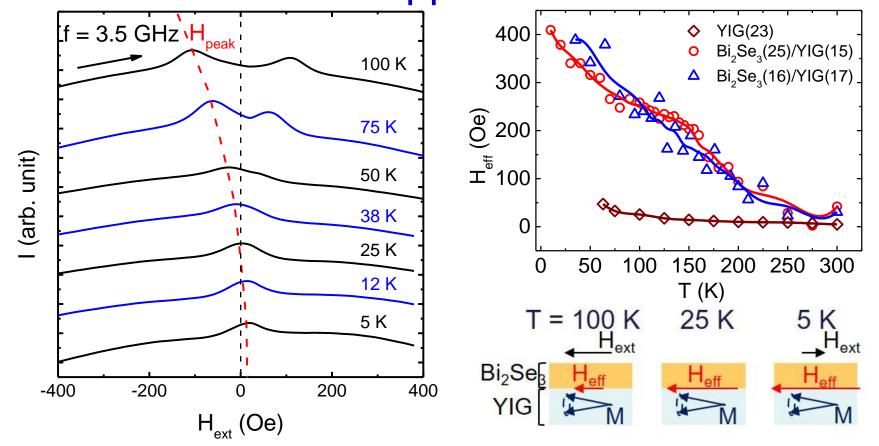




- → Time-reversal-symmetry breaking
- → Weak localization & Negative MR

Kim et al., PRL **119**, 027201 (2017). Lu et al., PRL **107**, 076801 (2011).

## Internal effective field induced FMR without an applied field



- Internal effective field =  $H_{eff} + H_{an} + 4\pi M_s$
- The exchange effective field H<sub>eff</sub> becomes larger as T decreases.
- The strong H<sub>eff</sub> has great potential for spintronics application.

### Summary-1

- Interfacial in-plane magnetic anisotropy in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG is observed, and builds up as T decreases.
- A unprecedentedly large spin mixing conductance (2.2 x  $10^{19}$  m<sup>-2</sup>) for YIG systems was observed in Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/YIG, implying an interface with very efficient spin injection.
- Temperature dependence of spin pumping in  $Bi_2Se_3/YIG$  resembles that of antiferromagnetic CoO/YIG, suggesting MPE with a  $T_c$  as high as 180 K.